

## **CLAIMS**

### **WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:**

1. An apparatus for supporting and displaying an object comprising:
  - a) a platform adapted for supporting said object; and
  - b) at least one attachment means for interacting with a generally horizontal projection upon which said object is displayed.
2. An apparatus according to Claim 1 wherein said attachment means are removeably attached to a bottom surface of said platform.
3. An apparatus according to Claim 1 wherein each of said at least one attachment means have a first end and an second end, wherein said first end of each of said at least one attachment means comprise opposite, opposing jaw members biased towards one another and wherein said second end of each of said at least one attachment means comprise legs that when forced together separate said opposite, opposing jaw members.
4. An apparatus according to Claim 3 wherein said jaw members of each of said at least one attachment means are connected by a pivot pin and are biased towards one another by a torsional spring.
5. An apparatus according to Claim 3 wherein said jaw members contain penetrating or frictional means to prevent said platform from rotating about said generally horizontal projection.
6. An apparatus according to Claim 5 wherein the penetrating means are teeth.
7. An apparatus according to Claim 1 wherein said at least one attachment means is an alligator clip.

8. An apparatus for supporting and displaying an object comprising:
  - a) a platform having a top surface and bottom surface, said top surface being adapted for supporting said object;
  - b) at least one attachment means removeably affixed to said bottom surface of said platform; and
  - c) a base having a top surface, bottom surface, and a number of receiving slots corresponding to the number and position of said attachment means on said platform for entombing said attachment means within said base when said platform rest on the top surface of said base.
9. An apparatus according to Claim 8 wherein said at least one attachment means are removeably attached to said bottom surface of said platform.
10. An apparatus according to Claim 8, wherein each of said at least one attachment means have a first end and an second end, wherein said first end of each of said at least one attachment means comprise opposite, opposing jaw members biased towards one another and wherein said second end of each of said at least one attachment means comprise legs that when forced together separate said opposite, opposing jaw members.
11. An apparatus according to Claim 10 wherein said jaw members of each of said at least one attachment means are connected by a pivot pin and are biased towards one another by a torsional spring.
12. An apparatus according to Claim 10 wherein said jaw members contain penetrating or frictional means to prevent said platform from rotating about said generally horizontal projection.
13. An apparatus according to Claim 12 wherein the penetrating means are teeth.

14. An apparatus according to Claim 8 wherein said at least one attachment means is an alligator clip.
15. An apparatus according to Claim 8 wherein said platform has an integral metal contact and said base has an integral magnet to secure said platform to said base.
16. An apparatus for supporting and displaying an object alternatively on an irregularly-shaped generally horizontal projection or a generally flat horizontal surface, said apparatus comprising:
  - a) a platform having a top surface, a bottom surface, and a metal contact, wherein said top surface is adapted for supporting an object for display;
  - b) at least one attachment means removeably attached to said bottom surface of said platform, wherein each of said at least one attachment means have a first end and an second end, wherein said first end of each of said at least one attachment means comprise opposite, opposing jaw members biased towards one another and wherein said second end of each of said at least one attachment means comprise legs that when forced together separate said opposite, opposing jaw members and wherein said jaw members of each of said at least one attachment means are connected by a pivot pin and are biased towards one another by a torsional spring;
  - c) wherein said jaw members of each of said at least one attachment means further comprise penetrating or frictional means for preventing the rotation of said platform about said irregularly-shaped generally horizontal projection; and
  - d) a base having a top surface, bottom surface, and a number of receiving slots corresponding to the number and position of said attachment means on said platform for entombing said attachment means within said base when said platform rest on the top surface of said base.
17. A method for supporting and displaying an object alternatively on an irregularly-shaped generally horizontal projection or a generally flat horizontal surface, said method

comprising the steps of:

- a) placing an object on a platform; and
- b) alternatively attaching said platform with at least one attachment means to said irregularly-shaped generally horizontal projection or resting said platform on a base specifically shaped so as to receive said platform for display on a generally flat horizontal surface.

18. The method according to Claim 17, wherein each of said at least one attachment means have a first end and a second end, wherein said first end of each of
- said at least one attachment means comprise opposite, opposing jaw members biased towards one another and wherein said second end of each of said at least one attachment
- means comprise legs that when forced together separate said opposite, opposing jaw members and wherein said jaw members of each of said at least one attachment means are connected by a pivot pin and are biased towards one another by a torsional spring.
19. The method according to Claim 18 wherein said jaw members contain penetrating or frictional means to prevent said platform from rotating about said generally horizontal projection.
20. An apparatus according to Claim 19 wherein the penetrating means are teeth.
21. An apparatus according to Claim 17 wherein said at least one attachment means is an alligator clip.